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# Arkansas Weekly Broiler Report

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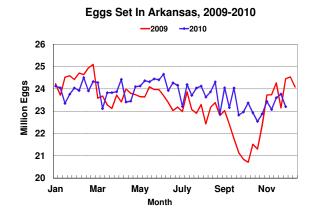
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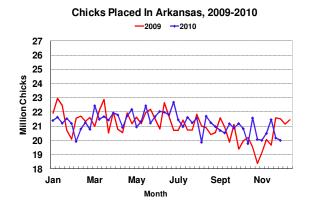
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#### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 7 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 20.0 million during the week ending December 11, 2010. Placements were down 7 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and down slightly from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending December 11, 2010, down 5 percent from the same period last year and down 2 percent from the previous week.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, November 13, 2010 - December 11, 2010

State	Eggs Set  Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
		1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks			
Alabama	29,397	29,358	29,324	29,501	29,788	20,394	20,245	19,051	19,825	20,108
Arkansas	23,436	23,072	23,598	23,763	23,197	20,001	20,489	21,461	20,162	20,001
Delaware	4,045	4,004	4,216	4,150	4,181	5,102	4,738	5,116	4,967	5,663
Florida	1,235	1,360	1,359	1,360	1,310	1,222	1,207	1,334	1,219	1,207
Georgia	32,651	33,066	32,749	33,477	33,150	25,363	24,284	26,705	27,178	27,171
Kentucky	7,704	7,558	7,578	7,184	7,625	6,196	5,890	5,804	5,981	6,624
Louisiana	3,486	3,470	3,395	3,395	3,364	2,986	2,985	2,906	3,057	3,022
Maryland	7,399	7,587	7,276	7,291	7,661	5,712	6,285	5,450	6,364	5,145
Mississippi	18,232	18,477	18,675	18,346	18,727	15,738	15,118	15,936	15,713	16,160
N. Carolina	20,449	20,437	20,020	19,702	19,874	15,375	15,927	16,274	15,476	15,943
Oklahoma	6,540	6,281	6,463	6,211	6,307	5,296	4,480	3,514	4,975	4,468
Pennsylvania	3,788	3,957	3,876	3,959	3,906	2,835	2,935	3,151	3,081	3,219
S. Carolina	5,535	5,617	5,726	5,432	5,587	5,089	5,044	4,496	4,599	4,656
Texas	15,687	15,910	16,523	15,272	15,698	12,745	13,442	12,651	13,339	13,588
Virginia	5,305	5,999	5,934	5,943	5,951	4,735	5,184	4,970	4,376	5,249
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,940	19,212	19,511	18,637	19,113	15,532	16,258	16,069	17,967	16,877
19 State Total	203,829	205,365	206,223	203,623	205,439	164,321	164,511	164,888	168,279	169,101
Prev. Year Total	201,573	201,906	202,644	201,274	205,271	156,298	151,209	158,544	166,323	167,012
% of Prev. Year	101	102	102	101	100	105	109	104	101	101

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

## **Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up Slightly**

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 205 million eggs in incubators during the week ending December 11, 2010. This was up slightly from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

## **Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 1 Percent**

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 169 million chicks for meat production during the week ending December 11, 2010. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through December 11, 2010 were 8.29 billion, up 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.